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In re Application of Timothy Kirby et al. Reissue Application No. 10/622,372 Filed: July 18, 2003 Attorney Docket No. ITS-001(9759/3)

: DECISION ACCORDING STATUS : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed April 22, 2004.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application was filed on July 18, 2003, without an executed oath or declaration and naming Timothy Kirby, David Grant, Bernie Goldbach, John Stanley and Sanjay Manandhar as joint inventors.

Accordingly, on October 20, 2003, a "Notice To File Missing Parts of Application" was mailed, requiring the basic filing fee, an executed oath or declaration and a surcharge for their late filing. A two month period for reply was set.

In response, the instant petition, combined declaration and power of attorney signed by joint inventors Stanley and Manandhar, and a request for fourth month extension of time were filed April 22, 2004. The petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is filed with the last known addresses of joint inventors Kirby, Grant and Goldbach, petition fee and surcharge. Additionally, a declaration by Susan Headley, an employee of Intellisign, Ltd (assignee) outlining the efforts enlisted to have joint inventors Kirby, Grant and Goldbach to execute the oath or declaration. Ms. Headley's declaration makes it clear that the application papers were sent and delivered to the non-signing joint inventors and that by their actions or inactions, they are refusing to cooperation with the filing of the instant application.

The applicant files this petition alleging that joint inventors Kirby, Grant and Goldbach refuse to sign the oath/declaration and seeks status under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) requires: (1) proof that the non-signing

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inventor cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration after having been presented with the application papers (specification, claims and drawings); (2) an acceptable oath or declaration in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §§ 115 and 116; (3) the petition fee; and (4) a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventor.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). In view thereof, this application is hereby <u>accorded</u> Rule 1.47(a) status.

Thus, as provided in Rule 1.47©), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center 2673 for examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned Petitions Attorney at (703) 305-4497.

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In re Application of Timothy Kirby et al. Application No. 10/622,372 Filed: July 18, 2003 Title of Invention: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR AN INTERACTIVE MEDIA DISPLAY

Dear Mr. Kirby, Mr. Grant and Mr. Goldbach:

You are named as a joint inventors in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as joint inventors.

As named inventors you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned Petitions Attorney at (703) 305-4497. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at 703/308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at 703/308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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